

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPANSION OF REFINERIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the public sector refineries have failed to give best results;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government propose to take some effective measures for the technological upgradation and expansion of capacities of refineries to meet the challenges;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the role of private sector in this technological upgradation of refineries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) & (d): Government and public sector refineries have been giving significant thrust for technological upgradation and expansion of refineries. Number of measures have been taken in this regard and are being continuously pursued. These include installation of secondary processing units, energy and environment conservation measures, fuel quality upgradation, etc. Most of the public sector refineries have been expanded or have plans for expansion.
- (e) The private sector is assisting the public sector refineries in the technological upgradation and refinery expansion projects by way of providing design & consultancy services, material, equipment supplies, providing construction and erection services etc.